

and an unpopular war. Peterhof interest Russia far more than Portsmouth.

The Gasek admits the possibility of reimbursement, but rejects other Japanese conditions.

The Litch considers that Russia can at most accept the demands Japan made before the war plus the cession of Port Arthur, the Liaoyang Peninsula and the Manchurian railway. It adds: "We anticipate a rupture of the negotiations and a continuation of the war, which will assume a new character, a colonial war becoming a national one, Japan having to reckon with national Russia, not official Russia."

#### COUNCIL CONSIDERS TERMS.

Czar Approves Decision That War Is Preferable to Granting Them.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, Aug. 13.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of *La Liberté* describes an extraordinary council under the presidency of the Czar which was held to consider Japan's peace conditions. Nearly all the Grand Dukes and other dignitaries were at the conference.

The correspondent says the proposed cession of territory was rejected almost unanimously. The question of reimbursement was rejected after an animated debate. The Czar scarcely participated in the debate, but paced up and down the room most of the time. The correspondent adds: "When the council concluded and declared that it was preferable to continue the war His Majesty thanked the assembly, saying he expected no other decision from patriotic Russians."

#### LONDON LOOKS FOR FAILURE.

No Expectation That Peace Conference Will Reach an Agreement.

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LONDON, Aug. 12.—The latest public news here in regard to the peace conference says that according to Mr. Sato, the spokesman for the Japanese commission, there are indications that Russia's reply to the Japanese terms will be of such a nature that negotiations can continue. Nevertheless, in no circles here can there be found any expectation of peace resulting from the conference.

There is one item in Japan's demands as reported which in diplomatic circles here is considered even more fatal to the prospects of Russia accepting the Japanese terms than the inclusion of an indemnity or the cession of Sakhalin. This is the provision limiting Russia's naval power in the Far East. If this is one of the terms, and if Japan refuses to make a modification, it alone, in the opinion of high functionaries in London, will suffice to render the conference abortive, for it is a direct limitation of Russia's sovereignty, and to this she would never consent. But the attitude of Russia toward peace has been so fully discussed by THE SUN's St. Petersburg correspondent that there is no need to dwell on it further.

#### PEOPLE FIRE ON COSSACKS.

Socialist Resist Troops at a Mass Meeting—Many Arrests.

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WARSAW, Aug. 12.—Two thousand Socialists from Lodz and other places held a mass meeting in a wood near Lodz to-day. Cossacks surrounded the wood, and the Socialists opened fire on them with revolvers. The Cossacks fired a volley, killing two Socialists and wounding eighteen. The crowd was dispersed, and 45 persons were arrested and imprisoned at Lodz.

During yesterday and to-day over 1,000 revolutionists have been arrested in Warsaw.

#### CZAR TO THE PEOPLE.

Plan for a National Assembly Is Still Being Amended.

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ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 12.—Official announcement is made that the proposal discussed by the Council under the Czar's presidency relating to the participation of national representatives in the elaboration and discussion of bills which, according to the statutes, reach the Czar through the Imperial Council has been altered in accordance with His Majesty's views and in amended form will be submitted to him for confirmation.

#### NO LICENSE FOR JEW TENOR.

Moscow Authorities Decline to Give Him Permission to Live There.

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ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 12.—Winogradov, a popular tenor in the St. Petersburg Opera House, accepted an engagement at Moscow. Being a Jew, the singer had to comply with the regulations laid down by Holy Russia for his peregrinations. He applied to the civil authorities of Moscow for permission to reside there. This permission has been previously refused. It is understood that the puzzled and outraged singer intends to petition the Czar.

#### BOMB THROWN IN POLAND.

Chief of Police Wounded and Manager of Iron Works Slain.

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WARSAW, Aug. 12.—At Radom yesterday a bomb was thrown at the Chief of Police and he was wounded in many places by the fragments.

This morning strikers killed the manager of the Lipopraw Iron Works, at which a battalion of infantry was stationed to guard them against the strikers.

#### ON LITTLE HELL GATE ROCK.

Naptha Lamen, Pulled out by Police, Rescued by Army.

The 15 foot naphtha launch Adelaide, owned by N. A. Sykes of 360 Park avenue, went aground yesterday afternoon on the rocks in Little Hell Gate, opposite Ward's Island, and was finally pulled off by a squad of men from the harbor police.

Mr. Sykes, his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Harvey and their daughter, all of 960 Park avenue, started out for Pelham Bay. When they got into Little Hell Gate the launch struck a rock with almost force enough to make her turn turtle. The women were cooking supper when the boat struck and had to jump to prevent the launch from taking fire.

Mr. Sykes, who was at the tiller, blew his distress signal. James Allen of 74 Franklin street and Daniel McCall of 24 Munson street, Astoria, members of the Barry Cove Life Saving Station, put out in a rowboat. They took everybody off but Sykes, and landed them on Ward's Island.

The people on Ward's Island called up the police and the harbor squad sent out Launch No. 2, which pulled the other launch off unscathed. Sykes put into Ward's Island, picked up his party and they went on to Pelham Bay at 6 o'clock.

#### SHOOTER FALLS; FIVE HURT; ONE MAY DIE.

BUFFALO, Aug. 12.—Shortly after noon to-day one of the two big elevators in the Chamber of Commerce building dropped from the sixth floor to the main floor of the building. Five persons were injured, one probably fatally. The injured are Edward J. Judd, John J. Reynolds, Miss Grace McCurdy, Miss M. A. Phillips and John Lee, the elevator operator.

Miss Phillips is not expected to recover. An investigation is being made to determine the cause of the accident.

#### PIAZZA DEBATES ON PEACE.

##### HOTEL GUESTS DIVIDE ON RESULT OF THE CONFERENCE.

Between Arguments They Slap the New Hampshire Mosquito, Who Works Quietly—Sato's Dramatic Announcement of the Receipt of Russia's Answer.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 12.—This has been a dull day about the Hotel Wentworth. It has rained to begin with; the envoys and their suites have been at the navy yard all day, and the uncertainty is getting on the nerves of attaches, correspondents and even guests. The hotel people have caught the infection now. Girls, matrons and nice old gentlemen who will tell you that they have been coming to the hotel for twenty years are debating on the chance for peace, on Sakhalin, on indemnity. They ask you at the table for the latest news from the navy yard and whether Mr. Witte will pay for the war.

Peace or no peace—the debate is on all over the corridors. Every man, woman and child above the knee is on one side or the other. The war party points to the quick exchange of propositions which seems to indicate "No" to the despatches from St. Petersburg, to the few pessimistic words which Sato dropped in the morning. The war party is in the majority. The peace side says that no bargain ever opened with an offer of genuine terms. They ask what Mr. Witte came all this way for if he is going to call it off in the first week.

The debate has raged hot and heavy between the Japanese and Russian correspondents on the front steps. They have held an unusual initiation conference all day. The Japanese and Russian correspondents have mixed from the first with genuine good feeling. By tacit consent they limit their debate to the prospect of peace, outting the war and its causes.

"We will not be here next Saturday. We will be gone by Wednesday," said a Russian.

"What was Witte sent for if not to make peace? Did any nation ever fail to make peace after a conference was called?" asks a Jap, with spirit.

And then they are off. Sakhalin Island, the Liaoyang Peninsula, indemnity—these words fly thick and fast in Russian bases and Jap tenor. It ends always with the Japanese declaring that peace will be declared and the Russians rooting for war.

Matsumoto, the Japanese parliamentarian, walked into one of these arguments and declared his own opinion. He said: "Just as the moment when it seems as though negotiations must be broken off they will go on, and by Russian initiative. From the beginning the Japanese have known that the Russian answer to the Japanese terms would be the threat to break off negotiations. But they'll never carry out their threat. Mark my words, there will be peace."

##### THE ENVOY'S BUSY DAY.

There was scarcely a glimpse of the official parties to-day. The envoys got away at 9 o'clock for the navy yard. The regular crowd watched Takahira and Komura take their carriage to the front entrance. Takahira, who never "puts on dog" when he can help it, was dressed in a plain business suit and a Panama hat. Komura wore a frock coat and a light soft hat.

Their automobile carried the Russians away a few minutes later. Just after noon the Japanese auto returned, and out jumped Sato. He was surrounded like the man with the ball in a football game.

"Gentlemen, gentlemen, a little room," he said, and made his way to the back piazza. Standing on a chair he announced that he was the bearer of a message from both sides. It looked like a break; the Wentworth held its breath. With the deliberation of a judge at a prize debate he unfolded a paper and read a statement to the effect that the Russian terms had been received by their excellencies, the Japanese, and that the Japanese would return their answer to-day at 3 o'clock or to-morrow at 3 o'clock.

The whole Wentworth, which had hung breathless on his words, gave a groan of disappointment. Mr. Sato stopped to shake hands at the door with Miss Pilsen, his partner in the "Going to Jerusalem" game last night, and went back to the conference.

There was just a glimpse of Karakozov at lunch time. His auto scorched up. He jumped out, ran for a paper, and was off again. He brought news, however, that the meeting would go on to-morrow, and since then the Wentworth has done little but hold debates and slap mosquitoes.

##### THE NEW HAMPSHIRE MOSQUITO.

Surely this New Hampshire mosquito deserves scientific study. He is neither large and birdlike in his movements, like the Jersey mosquito, nor yet graceful, agile or noisy, like the Long Island stinger. He is a direct, voiceless, hand-stinging mosquito. He doesn't talk about it. He approaches you with the business-like directness of a Japanese envoy, quietly gets his drill in place and lets you have it. If they are thick at the navy yard these negotiations will go through fast.

While the envoys labored at the navy yard the underlings of the Japanese party were having a trouble of their own. They sent to Portsmouth early in the week for a safe to hold papers of state. A small safe was hired from a local store and placed in the Oriental headquarters, and, with the state papers inside, locked up. This morning some of the secretaries tried to open it and failed. They had forgotten the combination. An auto was despatched to Portsmouth and the safe's owner was brought back with the combination. The Japanese, who had been afraid that the papers might be demanded on this historic day, breathed freely again.

Every time the official automobiles come scorching up the driveway there is a crisis at the Wentworth. At half past 7, while most of the guests were at dinner,

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##### IT WOULD BE WRONG PERHAPS TO ACCEPT THIS AS THE ACTUAL, LIBERAL TRUTH, BUT THOSE WHO KNOW THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE GERMAN PRESS WORKS, ESPECIALLY WHERE THE KAISER HIMSELF IS CONCERNED, CANNOT FAIL TO APPRECIATE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS AND MUCH ELSE THAT HAS APPEARED OF LATE.

##### HONOR FOR FRENCH OFFICERS.

##### ENTERTAINED AT LUNCHEON IN THE HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT.

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LONDON, Aug. 12.—The festivities in honor of the visiting officers and men of the French fleet came to a conclusion to-day, when the members of both houses of Parliament entertained at luncheon in Westminster Hall eighty-eight of the officers and men of the French fleet. The historic building was last used for banquets on the occasion of the coronation of King Edward.

##### INSURANCE INQUIRY PLANS.

##### COURT ROOM MAY BE USED FOR SESSIONS—EFFORTS TO SECURE CHOATE'S AID.

##### ALL THE OUT OF TOWN MEMBERS OF THE INSURANCE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE LEFT TOWN YESTERDAY SUNDAY, BUT THE NEW YORK MEMBERS KEPT AT WORK ARRANGING FOR THE COMING SESSIONS. THERE IS SOME DOUBT IN THE MINDS OF THE INVESTIGATORS AS TO WHETHER THE ALDERMEN'S ROOM IN THE CITY HALL IS GOING TO BE BIG ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE THE COMMITTEE AND THE LARGE NUMBER OF PERSONS WHO IT IS EXPECTED WILL ATTEND SOME OF THE HEARINGS. SOME OF THE COMMITTEEMEN HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT ROOMS IN THE CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, AND THE LATTER DISMISSAL OF THE BUILDING HAS BEEN DECIDED THERE IS A CHANCE THAT THE PLACE OF HOLDING THE SESSIONS MAY BE CHANGED.

##### THE COMMITTEE TAKES PARTICULAR EXCEPTION TO AN ALLEGED INTERVIEW WITH ONE OF DR. DARLINGTON'S ASSISTANTS, WHO WAS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THE RESIDENTS OF BATH BEACH AND BENSONHURST WERE LIVING AS IF THEY WERE IN THE COUNTRY, USING VILLAGES AND FAILING TO USE SEWERS. THIS STATEMENT IS ABSOLUTELY FALSE, THE COMMITTEE SAYS.

##### BATH BEACH AND BENSONHURST ARE IN THE THIRTIETH WARD OF BROOKLYN, BUT COMPRISE ONLY ABOUT ONE-FOURTH OF THE WARD. THE BOUNDARIES OF THESE TWO SECTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS: SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET ON THE NORTHEAST, TWENTY-FIFTH AVENUE ON THE SOUTHEAST, GRAVESEND AVENUE ON THE SOUTHWEST AND FOURTEENTH AVENUE ON THE NORTHWEST. THERE HAVE BEEN FORTY-NINE TYPHOID CASES IN THE ENTIRE WARD.

##### CLEANING UP THE BLOCK.

##### DWELLERS IN WEST 51ST STREET TAKE A HAND THEMSELVES.

##### ACTION UPON ORDERS FROM COMMISSIONER McADOO, DETECTIVES WIXSON, RHEINGOLD AND CROSBY OF THE WEST THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET STATION ARRESTED TWENTY-FIVE WOMEN WHO WERE FOUND LOITERING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF SEVENTH AVENUE AND THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET ON FRIDAY NIGHT. THIS ORDER FROM THE COMMISSIONER WAS BROUGHT ABOUT BY COMPLAINTS FROM RESIDENTS OF THE BLOCK BETWEEN SEVENTH AND EIGHTH AVENUES IN THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET. THE COMPLAINTS SAID THAT CONDITIONS HAD BECOME INTOLERABLE. SIX OF THESE COMPLAINTS APPEARED IN THE WEST SIDE COURIER YESTERDAY. THEY WERE ALICIA H. WATSON, ALFRED YONKER, J. S. JENNINGS, MRS. LAPPET AND HER DAUGHTER AND ALEXANDER LOW, A LABOR LEADER.

##### THE DETECTIVES WHO MADE THE ARRESTS HAD PRACTICALLY NO EVIDENCE AGAINST THE WOMEN AND MAGISTRATE POOL WANTED TO DISCHARGE THEM. THE COMPLAINTS PROCEEDED VIOLENTLY, HOWEVER, AND UPON THE SWORN STATEMENT OF TWO OF THEM THAT THEY HAD HEARD SOME OF THE WOMEN SOLICIT MEN, ONLY TWO WERE DISCHARGED, WHILE SIX WENT TO THE WORKHOUSE, TWENTY WERE FINED \$5 EACH AND THE REST PUT UNDER BONDS FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR FOR THREE MONTHS. FIVE BOYS WHO WERE ARRESTED AT THE SAME TIME AS THE WOMEN WERE FINED \$5 EACH FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

##### THOMAS'S BUTLER IN PERIL.

##### HE WAS SEIZED WITH CRAMPS WHILE BATHING IN THE WEST SIDE COUNTRY CLUB YESTERDAY.

##### NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 12.—William Masell, butler for Edward R. Thomas, had a narrow escape from drowning this morning in the surf off the cliffs in front of the Perry Beach Hotel. While bathing, Mr. Masell went in to bathe and was taken with cramps. His companions saw his condition, hastened to his assistance and managed to get him out of the water after much trouble, but he was nearly gone and it required much work to resuscitate him. He was then taken to the Thomas cottage, a branch of the Ocean Works of Skettin Hospital, where to-night he is reported as recovering.

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##### GERMANY TO BUILD SPECIAL NORTH SEA FLEET.

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##### BERLIN, Aug. 12.—The *Norddeutsche Zeitung* is discussing the establishment of a branch of the Vulkan Works of Stettin at Hamburg. This confirms a rumor that the Government intends to build ironclads of 16,000 tons and over and create a special North Sea fleet.

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